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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed within the shortened statutory period for response to the Final Rejection mailed on June 25, 2008.

The Applicants respectfully request consideration of the amendments by the Examiner although submitted after Final Rejection. The amendments submitted herewith focus the subject matter of the claims, will simplify examination, and better place the claims in condition for allowance.

No fee, petition, or certification is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, as a result of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.